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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application:

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	)	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: A-2207-AL
Serial No.: 10/056,831	):	
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Filed: January 24, 2002	)	
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For: SURGICAL ACCESS DEVICE	)	
WITH FLOATING GEL SEAL	)	
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time to file a response to Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated February 22, 2002, regarding the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application be granted for a period of one (1) month, up to and including May 22, 2002, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) and 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

The requisite fee of \$55.00 is included in our enclosed check.

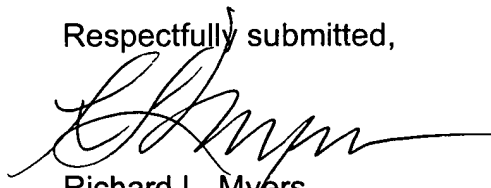
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any over-payment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2215.

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